

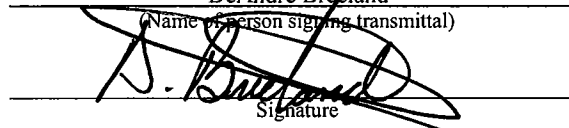
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Tetsujiro Kondo, et al.  
Serial No. : 10/089,389  
For : DIGITAL SIGNAL PROCESSING METHOD, LEARNING  
METHOD, APPARATUSES FOR THEM, AND PROGRAM  
STORAGE MEDIUM  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.121**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 20, 2006, having a  
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on December 20, 2006, please amend the  
above-captioned application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12.